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In Re Application Of **Frank J. Landherr et al.**

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Group Art Unit  
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- ☐ A verified English translation of the non-English language application papers as originally filed. It is requested that this translation be used as the copy for examination purposes in the United States Patent and Trademark Office.
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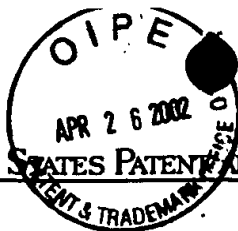
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